The Department of Coal and the Central Vigilance Commission also undertake periodic reviews of the pending investigations and departmental inquiries. In addition, a review meeting was taken by Minister (Coal and Mines) with the CVOs of the coal companies on 22.11.2001.

(c) During the last 3 years, i.e., 1999-2000, 2000-2001 and 2001-2002 (upto December, 2001) 728 cases of irregularities were taken up for investigation in CIL and its subsidiaries. In 214 cases involving 395 officials, departmental inquiries were completed. In these, 122 officials were awarded major penalties and 133 officials were awarded minor penalties.

(d) and (e) the following steps are being taken by Coal India Limited with a view to curb the incidence of corruption:-

(i) Periodic transfer of officers posted in sensitive departments.

(ii) Simplification and updating of various operational manuals.

(iii) Wide dissemination of the rules and procedures of the working of company amongst the users.

(iv) Making audit report available to vigilance for follow up action as directed by the Central Vigilance Commission.

National level Licensing and Monitoring Authority for IT enabled service Industry

5259. SHRI C.P. THIRUNAVUKKARASU: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to appoint a single National level licensing and monitoring authority for the IT enabled service industry;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government have received 15 point plan from the Confederation of Indian Industries;

(d) if so.the details thereof; and

(e) Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN): (a) and (b) There is no such proposal of Government, at present.

(c) to (e) Government has considered and liberalised the norms for IT. enabled services.

Telephone exchanges in Andhra Pradesh

5260. SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of new telephone exchanges installed in Andhra Pradesh during the last three years;

(b) the details thereof, district-wise; and

(c) The telephone exchanges proposed to be installed during the year 2002-2003?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR): (a) The number of new telephone exchanges installed during the last three years are as under:

\fear	New exchanges installed
1999-2000	358
2000-2001	367
2001-2002	268

(b) The district-wise details are given at statement *(See* belowj.

(c) It is proposed to commission about 100 new telephone exchanges during the year 2002-2003.